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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Logistics

FROM:

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Deputy Chief, Printing & Photography Division, OL

SUBJECT: Energy Savings

1. Over the past few years the Printing and Photography Division (P&PD) has been keenly aware of the need to introduce energy-saving equipment and techniques into its operation. We have been rather thorough in our equipment selections and have opted for acquisitions which met our conservation objectives; e.g., we have avoided presses with gas dryers and have installed water-saving, energy-efficient film processors. Aside from the HEB plan to install small individual boilers in the P&PD facility for heating water for our processors during the summer months, we cannot come up with any unique ideas for conservation of resources associated with equipment.

2. P&PD is currently studying the feasibility of a four-day workweek for the Division. Obviously, implementation of such a program would reduce gasoline consumption of the Division's [REDACTED] employees by 20 percent. Although P&PD would maintain a seven-day-week operation under the program, some reduction in energy usage would occur through equipment idleness during portions of the week. Quantification of energy reductions that could be expected from a shortened workweek would be presumptuous at this time since P&PD has only recently considered it as an operational possibility.

3. Our future efforts will probably be concentrated in the area of avoiding the waste of energy. In this regard we intend to cut our electric usage by turning off any unnecessary lights. We will also keep our entrance and loading dock doors closed to stabilize our heating and air conditioning requirements.

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4. P&PD personnel will continue its attempts to figure out some way to put the significant amount of its waste paper to good use. We have entertained thoughts of why that material, as well as the paper processed through the Somat, could not be used for making paper logs of some sort. In any event, we have not as yet come up with a good idea on this subject.



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